Minutes of the City of Frederick Mayor and Board of Aldermen Regular Meeting

March 7, 2019 7:00 p.m. City Hall

- I. Mayor Michael O'Connor presided. Present were Aldermen Kelly Russell, Roger Wilson and Ben MacShane and Alderwoman Donna Kuzemchak. Also present were City Attorney Saundra Nickols and Legislative Clerk Phyllis Hane.
- II. The Mayor led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. There was no invocation.
- IV. There were no proclamations.
- V. The minutes of the February 7, 2019 Regular Public Meeting were previously distributed. On a motion made by Alderwoman Kuzemchak and seconded by Alderman Wilson the Board voted 4-0 to approve the minutes.
- VI. The Mayor announced that a Closed Session had been held on February 21, 2019 and read into the record a summary of that session, which is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes as required under Section 3-306(c)(2) of the General Provisions Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland.
- VII. The Mayor announced that the next few weeks would be busy ones for the City's elected officials as upcoming Workshop topics include an update on proposed sites for a new Frederick Police Department Headquarters, a presentation on the City's Strategic Planning Project, and the presentation of the Mayor's proposed FY 2020 budget.
- VIII. During Aldermanic comments, Alderman Russell mentioned Women's History Month and shared an article from the July 27, 1918 issue of the Frederick News Post remarking on the possibility of women serving on the Frederick Police Department, which the Chief of Police at the time deemed to be simply too radical.

Alderwoman Kuzemchak also spoke regarding Women's History Month, providing a brief history of women who have served in elected office in the City, beginning with the first woman elected to the Board of Aldermen in 1974. She also mentioned Jan Gardner, M.C. Keegan-Ayer and Jessica Fitzwater, currently serving at the County level, as well as many in local town governments. Alderwoman Kuzemchak expressed her appreciation to all of the women who have previously or are currently serving in elected office, calling them local heroes.

IX. There were no general public comments.

X. Consent Agenda

A. Commission Recommendation

On a motion made by Alderwoman Kuzemchak and seconded by Alderman Wilson, the Board approved 4-0 consent agenda item A.1:

Request form The Faux School to serve beer and wine at their Concert on the Creek events at Carroll Creek Linear Park Amphitheater pursuant to Section 6-19 of the City Code.

XI. Public Hearing

- 1. An Ordinance to authorize the sale of two general obligation bonds in an aggregate maximum principal amount not to exceed Two Million Seven Hundred Thirty-Nine Thousand Five Hundred Sixty-Eight Dollars (\$2,739,568) pursuant to the authority of the Maryland Water Quality Financing Administration Act was introduced. No action was taken at this time. There were no public comments. The Ordinance will be brought to the March 21, 2019 Mayor and Board of Aldermen Regular Public Meeting for approval.
- 2. The Board considered an Agreement with Mid-Atlantic Fountain Design and Manufacturing Company, Inc. d/b/a Fountain Craft Manufacturing in the not-to-exceed amount of \$262,200 and issuance of a purchase order in the amount of \$288,420 for design/build services for the renovation of the Baker Park (Rhodes) Fountains (RFP 19-N). No action was taken. After some discussion, the Mayor pulled the item from the agenda and announced it would be reconsidered at the March 21, 2019 Mayor and Board of Aldermen Regular Public Meeting. There were no public comments.
- XII. On a motion made by Alderman MacShane and seconded by Alderman Wilson the Board approved 4-0 the appointment of Katey Grogan to the Sustainability Committee for a three-year term of March 18, 2019 to March 17, 2022.
- XIII. During Aldermanic comments and new business, Alderman Wilson noted it was restaurant week in Frederick and encouraged everyone to go out and support local businesses.

Alderman Russell reminded everyone that Bike to Work Day is scheduled for May 17, 2019.

- XIV. There were no additional Mayor's comments.
- XV. There were no committee reports.
- XVI. There was no Director's Report.
- XVII. There were no additional public comments.

There being no further official business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Phyllis Hane Legislative Clerk